

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

**OFFICIAL WARNING**  
**VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS**



CASE NUMBER:  
**MO150065**

VIOLATOR:  
**Kenneth Nelson**  
License # **43-A-5769**  
Customer # **4466**

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):  
**17791 Farm Road 1062**  
**Exeter, MO 65647**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about **March 30, 2015**, you or your organization committed violations of the following sections of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 9:

**2.40(b)(2) Attending Veterinarian and Adequate Veterinary Care....**establish and maintain programs of veterinarian care that use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries.  
**(DIRECT)**

You failed to provide adequate veterinary care to the following animals:

- a Beagle (tattoo # 1402) had a hard, golf ball size mass on her back.
- a Beagle (MC # 46594A2E31) had a large mass on the right side of the stomach, identified by the veterinarian as a "hernia right side" on April 24, 2014.
- a Beagle (MC #445PO5266B) had a large mass on her stomach, identified by the veterinarian as a "large hernia" April 24, 2014.
- a Yorkshire terrier (MC #49663A2A61) had a small mass in her left mammary area, identified by the veterinarian as a "small breast cancer" April 24, 2014.
- a Yorkshire terrier (MC # 482E062346) had a large mass on her right side of her stomach, identified by the veterinarian as a "large hernia" April 24, 2014.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

**APHIS OFFICIAL (Name and Title):**

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**SIGNATURE:**

**DATE ISSUED:**  
Aug. 25, 2015

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